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Order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs dated 24 September 1998 concerning the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting protective equipment for the practice of ice hockey

An Act respecting safety in sports (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1; 1997, c. 79)

THE MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS,

CONSIDERING paragraph 3 of section 55 of the Act respecting safety in sports (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1) concerning standards relating to the equipment a person must use to practise a sport;

CONSIDERING section 55.2 of the Act which provides that the standards may vary according to the categories or classes of sports and of persons;

CONSIDERING that under section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published as provided for in section 8 of that Act if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

CONSIDERING that under section 18 of that Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

CONSIDERING that under sections 13 and 18 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of prior publication and such coming into force shall be published with the regulation;

CONSIDERING that the Minister of Municipal Affairs is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication and such coming into force:

- the purpose of the amendment to the Regulation respecting protective equipment for the practice of ice hockey is to allow players in Québec elite leagues to wear equipment better adapted to the style and calibre of play at that level and which does not compromise the career objectives of most of the players;
- the common wish of the associations and persons concerned, expressed through a task force set up by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and responsible for sports, is to allow players to wear that equipment during the next season, which begins in mid-September, and it is expedient to prevent the players of those leagues from breaking the law;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to make the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting protective equipment for the practice of ice hockey;

ORDERS:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting protective equipment for the practice of ice hockey, attached to this Order, be made.

Québec, 24 September 1998

RÉMY TRUDEL, Minister of Municipal Affairs

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting protective equipment for the practice of ice hockey(*)

An Act respecting safety in sports (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1, ss. 55, par. 3 and 55.2; 1997, c. 79, s. 7)

- **1.** The Regulation respecting protective equipment for the practice of ice hockey is amended by inserting the following after the words "Québec Major Junior Hockey League" in section 2:
- ", the Ligue de hockey junior AAA du Québec or a hockey league only made up of players of 18 years of age or older and whose activities lead to a national championship approved by the Canadian Hockey Association and to which a safety regulation approved by the Minister responsible for the administration of the Act applies".
- **2.** Section 3 is revoked.
- **3.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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^{*} The Regulation respecting protective equipment for the practice of ice hockey, approved by Order in Council 36-92 dated 15 January 1992 (1992, *G.O.* 2, 809), was amended by a Regulation made by Order in Council 633-95 dated 10 May 1995 (1995, *G.O.* 2, 1481) and by a Regulation approved by Order in Council 45-97 dated 22 January 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, 793).